

May 15, 2009  
via electronic filing

Ms. Rosa G. Lewis  
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Federal Election Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: SEIU COPE Amended August Monthly Report (7/01/08-7/31/08), received 10/31/08

Dear Ms. Lewis:

This is in response to your letter to SEIU COPE, dated April 15, 2009. Your first question involves two Independent Expenditures that are not clearly identified with a 48 hour report. Our amended report will clarify that these two payments made on 7/28/08 were advance payments for the activity starting on 7/28 and included in the 48 hour report submitted on 7/30/08. The debt associated with that 7/30 report will be revised to reflect that this amount was paid in advance.

In response to your second question, the amended report we will be filing will modify the expenditures described as 'canvass staff and expenses' to clarify that they were payments for 'door-to-door voter ID and get out the vote efforts'.

Your third question involves an independent expenditure that appears to have been made after the primary date. The amended report we will be filing will clarify that the independent expenditure on behalf of Gerry Connelly reported on Schedule E was payment of the actual bill for an independent expenditure originally reported on a timely 48 hour report filed on 6/1/08 prior to the primary. The final invoice was for an amount greater than the original estimate included in the 48 hour report. Earlier reports will be amended to properly reflect the debt outstanding between the original dissemination and the payment of the invoice.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions

Sincerely,

Robert Hauptman  
for SEIU COPE